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LAW AND JUDICIARY DEPARTMENT

MAHARASHTRA ACT No. XX OF 1989.

THE YASHWANTRAO CHAVAN MAHARASHTRA OPEN
UNIVERSITY ACT, 1989.

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(xxv) to recognise persons working in other universities, institutions or organisations as teachers on such terms and conditions as may be laid down by the Ordinances ;

(xxvi) to determine standards and to specify conditions for the admission of students to course of study of the University which may include examination, evaluation and any other method of testing ;

(xxvii) to make arrangements for the promotion of the general health and welfare of the employees ;

(xxviii) to do all such other acts as may be necessary or incidental to the exercise of all or any of the powers of the University and conducive to the promotion of all or any of the objects of the University.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force but without prejudice to the provisions of sub-section (1), it shall be the duty of the University to take all such steps as it may deem fit for the promotion of the Open University and distance education systems in the State and for the determination of standards of teaching, evaluation and research in such systems.

6. The University shall, in the exercise of its powers, have jurisdiction over the whole of the State of Maharashtra :

Jurisdiction.

¹[Provided that, the University may, in the interest of promotion of Open University and distance education system in the educational pattern of the State, with the prior permission of the State Government and Government of India, open its sub-centres or study centres outside India.]

7. (1) The University shall be open to persons of either sex and of whatever race, creed, caste or class and it shall not be lawful for the University to adopt or impose on any person any test whatsoever of religious belief or profession or political or other opinion in order to entitle him to be appointed as a teacher of the University or to hold any other office therein or admitted as a student in the University or to graduate thereat, or to enjoy or exercise any privilege thereof.

University open to all classes, castes and creeds.

(2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall be deemed to prevent the University from making any special provisions for the appointment or admission of women or of persons belonging to the weaker sections of the society, and in particular, of persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes ²[, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes], in accordance with the directives, if any, given from time to time by the State Government.

8. (1) The Governor of Maharashtra shall be the Chancellor of the University.

Chancellor and his powers.

(2) The Chancellor shall be competent to call from time to time such information or records relating to any affairs of the University, and the Vice-Chancellor shall furnish the same. It shall also be lawful for the Chancellor, after perusal of such information or records, to give in the interest of the University such directives to the Vice-Chancellor, or as he deems fit, and the Vice-Chancellor shall comply with such directives.

(3) Subject to the provisions of sub-sections (4) and (5), the Chancellor shall have the right to cause an inspection to be made, by such person or persons as he may direct, of the University, its buildings, laboratories and equipment and of any regional centre or a study centre and also of the examination, instruction and other work conducted or done by the University, and to cause an inquiry to be made in like manner in respect of any matter connected with the administration and finances of the University.

(4) The Chancellor shall, in every case, give notice to the University of his intention to cause an inspection or inquiry to be made and the University shall, on receipt of such notice, have the right to make, within thirty days from the date of receipt of the notice or such other period as the Chancellor may determine, such representation to him as it may consider necessary.

1. This proviso was added by Mah. 12 of 2003, s. 3.

2. These words were substituted for the words "or Scheduled Tribes" by Mah. 7 of 1993, s. 15